Pea Arkel, Dentam

Colocasia Kandyaum C-7, Trivendrum-293

Mongra (Pod Type radish) can be successfully grown in Sikkim. October-November sowing was found best.

Panel for TADA Cases

1605. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI :
SHRI KASHI RAM RANA :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have constituted any panel for TADA cases;

(b) if so, the functions of the panel;

(c) the number of the pending TADA cases examined by the panel, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to check the misuse of powers, given under TADA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) and (b). As per direction of the Supreme Court in Feb., 1994 the Review Committees at the level of the Central Government as well as State/UT Admn. have been constituted. The function of these committees is to review the pending TADA cases and redress the situation wherever considered necessary including dropping of Sections of erstwhile TADA Act.

(c) A statement showing the State-wise number of cases examined by the Review committees upto Nov., 1996 is attached.

(d) Since TADA Act, 1987 has already lapsed on 23rd May, 1995, and the existing cases are already being reviewed so the question of misuse of powers under TADA does not arise any longer.

STATEMENT

S.No.	Name of the State/ Union Territory	Total Number of Cases reviewed and either cancelled/ withdrawn filed or TADA provisions dropped
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh *	502
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	14
3.	Assam *	1844
4.	Bihar $	59
5.	Gujarat $	1319
6.	Goa	-
7.	Haryana +	111
8.	Himachal Pradesh *	1
9.	Jammu & Kashmir *	4865
10.	Karnataka +	11
11.	Kerala	-
12.	Manipur $	537
13.	Madhya Pradesh+	79
14.	Maharashtra *	339
15.	Meghalaya +	9
16.	Punjab *	422
17.	Rajasthan *	60
18.	Tamil Nadu *	16
19.	Uttar Pradesh *	201
20.	West Bengal *	-
21.	Chandigarh Admn. +	5
22.	NCT Delhi +	228
	Total	10676

* Jan.,1996
+ Sept.,1996
$ Aug.,1996.

Quality of Sugarcane

1606. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have chalked out any plan to improve the quality of the sugarcane to have the better recovery; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) and (b). Two Institutes of Indian Council of Agricultural Research namely Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow & Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore are already engaged in the Research work for improving the quality of sugarcane. Besides, State Agricultural Universities are also involved in the Improvement of quality of sugarcane. Some of the improved sugarcane varieties bred for high sugar content are: Coj-64, Coc-671, Co Pant-84211 etc. As a result of release of these varieties, significant increase in Sugar recovery has been recorded in the States of Haryana, Punjab, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu.

Price on Packaged Items

1607. SHRI RAM SAGAR : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any